

**REMARKS**

This is in response to the Office Action that was mailed on July 19, 2005. Applicants gratefully acknowledge the indicated allowability of claims 17, 19, 20, and 23-25 herein. Claim 18 is amended to delete certain embodiments of the variable  $R^1$ , and to thereby expedite the prosecution of this application. No new subject matter is introduced by this Amendment. Entry of this Amendment in order to place the application into condition for allowance (or into better condition for appeal) is respectfully solicited. Claims 17-20 and 23-25 are pending in the application.

Claim 18 was rejected under the second paragraph of 35 U.S.C. §112 as failing to define the invention properly. Office Action, pages 2-5. This rejection was based upon the recitation in claim 18 of various alkenylene moieties. All of those moieties have now been deleted from claim 18, thereby overcoming this ground of rejection.

Claim 18 was rejected under the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. §112 as failing to comply with the written description requirement. Office Action, page 6. The Examiner argued that the recitation of various alkenylene moieties in the claim lacked support in the written description of the invention. This ground of rejection is rendered moot by the cancellation of the terminology in question from the claim.

If the Examiner has any questions concerning this application, she is requested to contact Richard Gallagher, Reg. No. 28,781, at (703) 205-8008.

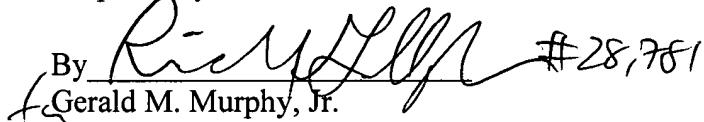
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If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 or under 37 CFR 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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